

# THE OUTCROP.

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The Golden  
Board of Trade.

## Sinclair to Wilmer.

After leaving Sinclair Landing we find the course of the river forming almost a perfect S among the low-lying meadows fringed to the water's edge with "Native botanical garden," the home of the sharp-tailed and the Canadian ruffed grouse, oftentimes seen running along the banks and feeding on the willow twigs while on every lagoon and marsh the mallard and teal sported and the warbling song of the way wild geese is heard. There are few spots to be found in British Columbia where a better or more enjoyable bag can be had, or a more enjoyable outing spent. Camping parties will find near-by settlers from whom fresh dairy products are obtainable, and in the event of starchy whether (a rare occurrence) comfortable house shelter is within easy reach.

Wilmer, a mining town 50 miles from Golden, and the headquarters of the management of the Paradise and International mines, is worth a visit. From here may be reached by a good wagon road excellent points of observation for two of the best peaks of the Selkirk range—Mount Gilbert (named after the late Gilbert Mitchell James, an Edinburgh gentleman who so interested capitalists in the great possibilities of this section as a mining field, that considerable preliminary work was done through his agency, and practically opened the way to extensive development now existing), and Mount Fairmount, so-called in honor of a New York gentleman who is largely interested in the Paragon mine near by. This last named splendid peak has never yet been scaled, and probably never will be until the agile limbs of such mountaineers as a Wapiti or a Wickiachee make the attempt; nor will the beauties be adequately portrayed unless the graphic pen of a Grand Oldman has joined in the task. Practically it is two mountains in one—the one being a mountain in itself, while from its base rises a sheer pinnacle of massive rock with seemingly not a foothold for hundreds of feet. To see this "Monarch of the Selkirk" is worth the trip up the river, even if there were nothing else to attract and hold the admiration of the traveler.

There is also a very beautiful panoramic view a half mile from Wilmer at a point on the Toly creek road, and a favorite spot with lovers of the camera. Looking north from this elevation, the foreground shows the valley of the Columbia with its central silvery tortuous thread, while in the distance is seen the shores and abrupt bluffs surrounding Lake Windermere, backed by a steep and rugged range of mountains.

"That like giants stand,  
To sentinel enchanted land,"  
and over which soft & easy clouds seem to drift in limboing. But it is just after the breaking away of a storm that the scene is at its best; before the white-capped waters of the lake, while showing over the mountainside great shaggy clouds roll and twist and cut in a chaotic rage, each billow mass seeming to hurl itself in opposing direction, until in cyclonic rage it swirls and hurries and loses identity in the black wrack of its opponent.

## Wilmer to Windermere

Passing on up the river from Wilmer to Atholmer the steamer enters the beautiful sheet of water above mentioned. Lake Windermere, on the eastern side of which, and under the shadow of the Marble Mountain, on a broad plateau gently sloping to the waters of the lake, with its pretty cottage houses and pine

total surroundings, stretches out the little village of Windermere. Here a few days, or even weeks, may be very enjoyably spent, where country drives, horse-back rides, bathing, boating, fishing and shooting will help to while away the time. Windermere is the southern terminus of the river steamer, and travelers wishing to go further will have to convey them into the Findlay creek country, a distance of some 30 or 40 miles, and which is one of the best shooting grounds to be found on the whole trip. The country is more open and prairie-like. Black-bell deer are abundant, and the disciple of Frank Walton will have no difficulty in obtaining abundant satisfaction.

In case of a trip this little pamphlet should fall into the hands of some ardent interested in tribal history. It is well to mention that near Canal Flats, and easily reached from Windermere, there is a curious and interesting battle field depicted on some rocks. The oldest Indian tribes in the country claim that the painting was done before they came into these mountains and they have no knowledge of the battle nor of its date. The peculiar properties of the pigment used are also unknown, but whatever the ingredients may have been it has stood the tests of winter and the sun of summer for the long centuries, and is, to all appearance, as clear and perfect as when placed there by the unknown warrior artists' hand.

The remainder of the "write-up" of the booklet is devoted to telling the tourist where to congregate and mentions several of the sub-peaks from Golden, such as Kicking Horse canyon, Moberly Peak, Table Mountain, etc., while it also contains several private letters from tourists who have enjoyed the trip and express themselves in no uncertain sounds. And as a final the writer says:

In sending out this little booklet for distribution among the travelling public I may be well to mention that no attempt whatever has been made in it to detract from the advantages and attractions which different sections of this great scenic province of British Columbia locally offer.

One aim and one only, has been followed and that is to draw the attention of the tourist, the sportsman, the seeker after health or pleasure, to a section of British Columbia that is comparatively unknown and consequently virgin soil to the majority of travelers.

Nothing has been said in the foregoing pages that even borders on exaggeration, but, on the contrary, we are confident that the traveler who goes over the route will return fully satisfied that its varied attractions have not been told.

## THE MINER

**Is King of Wealth Producers**

Recently Rev. Robert McIntyre said while preaching in Chicago:  
"I advise a miner's wealth. It is clean. There is neither blood nor tears on it. It is acquired away from the screaming and sharp competition that characterizes ordinary ventures, where the success of one man often means the disaster and downfall of some other man, or perhaps a number of men. No one

has been placed; no one has been wronged. The miner who digs a fortune out of the ground has the satisfaction of knowing he has not robbed a soul, even though he becomes a millionaire. Then, too, there is another factor to take into consideration. The man who makes a fortune on the basis of trade or stock exchange, or in building up a gigantic business house, adds nothing to the world's store of available wealth. The world, in other words, is no richer because he is richer. He is richer rather because some one else is poorer. The miner, on the other hand, whether he digs out \$10 or \$100,000, adds that much to the world's wealth, and with the added wealth he contributes just that much to the possible amount of the world's comfort and pleasure. As I look at the matter there are few producers of wealth. The only man comparable with the miner is the farmer. He gets what he has direct from nature, but he produces perishable wealth. While he needs a want, his contribution to the world's wealth, therefore, is not a permanent one like the miner's. The miner is today the king of all wealth producers of the country, and I honor him above all others. It is no flattery; it needs no apology to mention his exploits and model his efforts. There is the whole question in a nutshell."

## NEW RY. TIE INDUSTRY HERE

**Navigation May be Open Up by April 10th**

During the past week Capt. F. P. Armstrong has been making out timber limits in the vicinity of Goldie and Dutch creek, assisted by Jas. Brady, P. L. S. The Captain has a big order from the C. P. R. to supply railway ties and is now preparing to cut a tie saw mill on the creek. As is well known there is a vast forest of timber up Dutch creek suitable for railway ties, in fact it would be difficult to find better timber for the purpose anywhere. A line has been run up Dutch creek and it proves that a good grade can be had for a flume and that one can be built at little cost to Lake Windermere, and the Captain will have work started on its construction as soon as possible, down which the ties will be flumed from the heart of the timber limits where the mill will be erected to the lake. This will be the first time that a flume will be used for transporting timber in this country, although in other countries it has been successfully transported in flumes the great distance of 40 miles, and on Dutch creek a good volume of water is easily obtainable. The work will give employment to a large force of men and Captain Armstrong deserves much credit for his enterprise and it is to be heartily hoped that he will be successful financially.

In a talk with the Captain The Outcrop reporter asked him how soon he expected to bring his steamer up the river this spring.

"Well," said he, "if the low stage in the river are removed the Paragon will reach Wilmer Landing on April 10. I am having her repaired and painted, and, of course, don't want any accidents at the start of navigation and if the stages are not removed we will not start until the river rises. The water has been very soft that time will each break up now and the Paragon can come up when the water is at its very lowest."

L. Charles has returned to Windermere from a visit to his home in Brandon, Ont.

## DISTRICT CROPPINGS

**And Other Items of Interest in a General Way**

The lumber business in the Windermere district is taking quite a boom and more mills are talked of.

Messrs. C. Cameron and C. Cartwright of Atholmer drove out to Fairmont on Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Reer.

On Sunday a bunch of caravans were round-up and brought into Wilmer—this regarded as an infallible sign that spring has come.

A letter has been received in Wilmer from the Conservative candidate for this district, Charles H. Macintosh, stating that he will be here shortly.

The new school house at Goldie is about completed and a daughter of Rev. J. Foster has arrived from St. Paul, Minn., to take the position of teacher.

Over in West Kootenay people are over on the lookout for a few acres of level land on which to start a tourist. In East Kootenay it is different—it is hard to find a place that won't make a good tourist.

John Keen has again been elected president of the Provincial Mining Association and it is to be hoped he will get the support the ability and energy he has already shown in the interests of Association members.

The Wilmer ladies desire to announce that they will give a Leap Year Ball in the Wilmer Conservative Hall on the evening of Easter Monday. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Next follows, here's the chance of your life.

It is announced that the Interior Liberal Association will hold a meeting on Wednesday, March 20th, at Rossland. Those delegates may be sent from each Liberal Association, but no proxies will be allowed unless two delegates are present out from the association.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company last month sold 147,000 acres of land and for while they realized \$75,000. This company advertises its lands for sale. What a pity the government is so slow that it doesn't catch on to an example shows them so plainly as this.

Dr. Stoddard, Proprietor, People of the outside generally seem to realize that construction on the Kootenay Central railway will be commenced this summer. Mining men in the Windermere and Fort Steele mining districts appear to realize that East Kootenay is on the eve of a mighty mining development.

What reason under the sun is there why a railway corporation should be taxed less than an individual. In the State of Illinois the railways have been taxed on the market value of the bonds and the capital stock. In Canada they have a rule been taxed on air and land the railways might dictate—Canadian Herald.

Chicago Mining World: The system of taxation of mines and output is in vogue in British Columbia is hardly just or equitable to the miner or company. Assessments should be made on the net output after deducting freight and treatment charges. Inducement should be made to get capital to invest in mining. To the profit and enterprise. Where such laws are in force in our section states the reader is most satisfactory.

The Wilmer Lumber Company's new saw mill is now cutting lumber at Toly Lake. As is always to be expected with a new mill there has been a few drawbacks at starting, but the latest report is that everything is now working smoothly. Our reporter will visit the mill in a few days.

Mrs. C. Bartley, who has been seriously ill at Sinclair for about three weeks, has not been expected to live for several days past. Dr. R. Elliot, of Wilmer, has spent about two weeks almost constantly at her side, and Dr. Taylor came up from Golden Monday night, when a consultation was held and he returned to Golden next day. At the time of going to press Dr. Elliot is yet with the sick woman.

Winter is gone. The warm sun and winds of the past week played havoc with the snow and slushing is gone and the snow is melting. The first streaks are playing delightful games while the man who has lost his robbles goes at the grinning and bathing in Old Sol's rays and with a smile remarks "Spring's here alright, alright." More, the "maw, caw," of the crow is more musical just now than ever.

Monday afternoon an evening wrestling match was witnessed by a large and interested audience in the Wilmer Conservative Hall. A bet was made by W. A. Colton that MacNeil, an Indian, could throw any man in Wilmer. Jack Hurst was the first to tackle the Indian. Jack is much heavier than the Indian, but at the end of three rounds he had not been thrown, although he had cut on the forehead from a fall against the platform and his ankle sprained. Fred Lacour next entered the ring and MacNeil was thrown twice in very short order. Fred being altogether too much for the Swath. There were several side bets that were very funny in fact so extremely funny that The Outcrop reporter lost his inability to adequately describe them.

At last after much discussion and many a battle—Wilmer has a hall for public purposes. One building after another has been erected in public hall and each in turn has been given over to private uses and many times a hall has been made to run a town hall but each and every one the scheme fell through with a sickening thud. Now, however, Wilmer actually has a hall. It is not a big one, but it is a hall to all intents and purposes and will "do" for a long while yet. The old, old stage is again proven. "Never depend on others but do it yourself." This is evidently the motto of a few faithful Conservatives, who have remembered President H. L. Avenue's promise and now announce that the "Wilmer Conservative Hall" is at the disposal of the public for all purposes. It is capable of serving as a theatre, dance hall, etc., and now the thanks of all Wilmer is extended to the enterprising young Liberal-Conservatives. Finally, it is believed that if the lights are allowed to vote at the next election every body in Wilmer will vote Conservative.

A Toronto dispatch says that members of the Canadian Mining Institution in session here have been presented with an advance copy of the summary of the annual report for Canada last year, prepared by E. D. Ingall of the Geological survey. The total metallic production is placed at \$38,707,403; structural material and clay products \$6,017,045; all other non-metallic, \$21,292,082; estimated value of products not returned, \$300,000; grand total for 1903, \$45,226,530; as compared with \$61,883,366 in 1902. A paper on Rossland by E. B. Kirby, manager of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines, shows that the production of the district up to Jan. 1, 1904, was 129,340 tons, worth \$2,650,000.

## GOLDEN NUGGETS

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Golden, B. C., March 5—

Miss L. Holt, of the Golden General Hospital staff, has returned from an extended trip to the east. Miss McFarlane, who has been filling Miss Holt's place during her absence, returned to Calgary today.

The Grand Master of the I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge of B. C. arrived in town today (Saturday). A meeting of the members of the local lodge is being held this evening.

A. B. McGeoghan, manager of the Imperial Bank at Golden, received word of the death of his father in Woodstock, Ont., and left on Thursday for the east. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. McGeoghan by the people of this district.

Mrs. T. Halliday, of Carleton Place, is spending a few days in town.

H. Munson left Golden this morning with a load of freight for Wilmer.

C. E. Wells, agent for the C. P. R. who has been ill for some time past, is able to be out again.

A meeting of the Liquor License Commissioners held at the Court House on Monday last, before to run a hotel at Rogers Pass was granted to Mrs. Margaret Hamilton, A. M. Pinckham, solicitor from Revelstoke on behalf of the C. P. R., opposed the granting of the license. Thus, O'Brien acting for Mrs. Hamilton.

A carnival will be held on Monday next at the skating rink. Various prizes will be awarded.

Dr. J. N. Taylor was down to Rand on Sunday last, returning Tuesday.

L. Charles, who has been on a three months' visit to his home in Brandon, Ont., returned to Golden today and leaves for Windermere on Sunday's stage.

J. Pratt has purchased the cottage owned by John Henderson and intends to make his home at Golden.

G. H. McDermott returned from Calgary on Friday.

There is to be an Easter wedding in Golden this year.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Wells, of Fairbairn, were in town this week.

W. A. Gallaher, M. P., arrived in Golden Wednesday afternoon, when he was accorded a hearty welcome by the people of Golden. In the evening Mr. Gallaher addressed a large number of residents at the Columbia Hall on a review of the legislation at Ottawa during the past four years. The address was appreciated by all who had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Gallaher.

G. O. Buchanan, of Kaska, the commissioner appointed by the Dominion government as a chairman of the local board, has made a trip through the Kootenay for the purpose of getting under the chains of the high shipping there. The Kootenay Bell says that up to the end of January there had been \$65,000 of heavy money earned by the British Columbia mines. There are 88 properties on the list, but about 40 have no insignificant claims. The remainder will average over \$1000 each, so that the money will be widely distributed. The largest amount is the Big Bend, Alameda, which will get \$18,000 for its share. Next in order comes the North Star, Baxter-Carlson, Payson, Sheslay and the Kails.

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W. P. EVANS,

Publisher and Proprietor.

WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1904.

The Crofton and Ladysmith smelters on Vancouver Island are reported to be running to their full capacity and to be reducing 550 tons of ore per day. It is with satisfaction that we note that the gold-copper mines of the coast are producing large quantities of ore, that the mining industry is expanding there. There are some very valuable mines along the coasts of Vancouver Island and the mainland and adjacent thereto. With further development of the mining areas at the coast it may be that those of the interior of the province will in time have to look to their tonnage laurels.

There is good reason why the people of the Kootenays should be pleased to see the coast developing into an important lode mining section. This is because the coast centres, and particularly Vancouver and Victoria, have never shown a disposition to take much financial interest in our mines. The capital of Great Britain, eastern Canada and of some of the states south of the line came into the Kootenays and was spent lavishly, in many instances, in the developing of the mines. The ranges of mountains that lie between here and the coast seemed to be too high, however, for any large quantities of the coast money to be carried over them in order to be placed in our mines. They sent their agents and drummers here and continue to send them after orders for goods, for life and fire insurance and for the purpose of loaning money on our reality. They seek our trade and our dollars, but for some unknown reason they are not willing to aid in the development of our mines. They are apparently willing to take all that we can give them and are unwilling to make even a reasonable fair return.

Now, however, that the mining industry is growing at the coast and that a number of producing mines have been developed within a reasonable distance of Vancouver and Victoria they will have opportunities of better informing themselves of the possibilities of the mining industry, and when they once appreciate it at its true worth we may hope to see some of the money we are constantly sending to the coast for goods, for insurance and for principal and interest, for taxes, etc., return here for investment in our mines, which we consider quite as good as those at the coast. The money from the coast may be a little late in coming, but it will be better late than never.

The foregoing is from the Nelson Daily News and voices the feeling throughout the Kootenays generally, but there is one other point the News has not touched upon and a point which The Outcrop considers of more importance than all others mentioned. That is, that with the event of lode mining becoming a feature of industry at the coast the people there will obtain some knowledge of mining generally and will soon learn of the difficulties miners have to contend with. This will be of great advantage as the result will be that they will not oppose the mine-owners when they go to Victoria to seek favorable legislation. In fact, the people of Kootenay would not object very much to the coast people getting our money if they would not stand in the way and hinder us from making more rapid progress. As it is they tax us beyond reason and seem to delight in clogging our wheels of progress with ignorance pure and simple. Give the Kootenays good mining laws and favorable conditions and the coast will be greatly benefitted. Yes, by all means may mining on the coast prove profitable.

Of Dr. Guillaume's remarkable iron and nickel alloys, two are being manufactured. "Invar" contains 37 per cent of nickel, and is practically unalterable in length at any atmospheric temperature. It is finding use for standard measuring bars and wires and for the pendulum rods of astronomical clocks and the compensation balances of chronometers. "Platinite", containing 46 per cent nickel, has the same expansion as glass, and may take the place of platinum for incandescent electric lamps.

By a new method, pigments of metallic oxides are produced by burning in special flues the waste vapors from

electric reduction furnaces. The varying mixtures from different ores give a great variety of colors, waste is avoided and the products are in extremely fine powder without grinding.

Weird sounds of atmospheric disturbances—unlike ordinary telegraphic and inductive disturbances—have been noticed by Mr. J. E. Taylor, a British electrician, during experiments in wireless telegraphy. They are more frequent in summer than in winter, most in evidence for a few hours about sunset, and often precede a storm or gale. They resemble the flowing and bubbling of water, though there are also cracklings and screamings like rocket discharges. The latter are attributed to the electric currents set up by the fall of meteors, and the other noises are supposed to be connected with the ionization of the air, disturbances being caused when the ionization is dissipated by an electric field.

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|----------------------|-----------|------------|
| Paradise.....        | 1,871,000 |            |
| " In transit         | 1,600,000 |            |
| Delphine.....        | 176,441   | \$7,340.00 |
| " In transit         | 135,500   |            |
| Plutonian Mines..... | 162,000   |            |
| " In transit         | 168,000   |            |
| Bransford.....       | 4,000     |            |
| White Cat.....       | 9,000     |            |
| Wilder Belt.....     | 29,500    | 1,456.00   |
| M. T. Fraction.....  | 69,038    | 4,264.63   |
| Bryan.....           | 1,000     | 49.00      |
|                      |           | 4,126.47   |

This Outcrop is on sale at A. R. Yates Drug Store, Wilmer.

## PA PUTS HIS PIPE AWAY

When papa puts his pipe away,  
An' takes me on his knee,  
I know he's got a story.  
That he wants to tell to me.  
I put my arms around his neck,  
An' hug him tight and good.  
For that's his pay;  
He wants it first—  
That's always understood.  
It's always 'bout a little boy  
Lost 'tactly big ez me,  
Who's got a pony, got a dog,  
A gun an' things, you see.  
Who kills some fowls on the plains  
An' never misses once.  
He goes out in the woods alone,  
An' travels thru the day.  
An' builds a fire every night  
To keep the wolves away.  
Then in the mornin' takes his gun  
An' finds a grizzly's den  
An' chases bears for miles an' miles,  
An' shootin' now an' then.  
At last he gets up a tree  
An' walks eroun' an' 'round,  
An' shoots his powder all away,  
An' then the bear comes down.  
So next the fellow takes his knife  
Without a bit o' fear—  
An' then I get so sleepy  
That's 'bout all I ever hear.  
Then in the mornin' when I wake  
An' find myself in bed,  
I get to wonderin' if the bear  
Is 'live or if he's dead.  
I look eroun' for daddy,  
But can't see him any where,  
An' so I ladder mighty loud:  
"Pop, did he git the bear?"  
Cranbrook Herald.

## COMING HOME AGAIN

The children are coming home again!  
The old town stands at the door—  
Homely women and weary men,  
She welcomes them all once more:  
The rooms are all furnished and dress  
For you!  
We have been saving the best for you!  
The echoing hills have kept your name;  
Meadow and woodland are still the same;  
Nothing is changed that our love could keep.  
The children are coming home today—  
Ay, children, if twice two-score!  
Men and women with heads of gray,  
But the old child's heart once more:  
Never a word of how bad you've been,  
How far you've travelled, how sad you've been!  
Door and heart are alike flung wide;  
The mother's cheek is aglow with pride;  
The good you have done or tried to do—  
These are the things she has heard of you.

The children are coming home again—  
Back to the name we know!  
The dear old forenames—Will and Ben,  
And Mary and Dick and Sue!

Coming from half world away,  
What to do far from the world away,  
Men and women, they all come back,  
Over the dusty or grass-grown track;  
And we know why the Lord of the un-  
defiled  
Said heaven is near to the heart of a  
child.—Anna Barham Bryant.

To be truly polite is to do and say  
The kindest things in the kindest way.

It is said that the man who speaks a  
dollar never speaks his wife. In  
looking over our subscription accounts  
we notice that some awfully good wo-  
men are not getting this paper and they  
deserve.

"Well, you have a very good case in  
technical law, but a pretty bad one in  
equity and justice," said Abraham Lin-  
coln, one day, to a would be client, after  
he had listened patiently to a statement  
of his case. "You'll have to get some  
other fellow to win this case for you. I  
couldn't do it. All the time, while  
standing talking to the jury, I'd be  
thinking, 'Lincoln, you're a liar,' and I  
believe I should forget myself and say it  
at least."

According to statistics, the labor of  
every adult in United States produces  
wealth to the value of \$10 per day.  
The same statistics show that labor  
receives but one-fifth of the value which  
it produces. Such being the case, how  
is it possible for the working classes to  
conquer on the industrial field through

the strike or the boycott, when the wealth  
necessary to carry on the strike to  
ultimate victory remains in the hands  
of capitalists? What can be gained by  
a strike or boycott when the trusts are  
attaining such proportions that enable  
them to squeeze out the last vestige of  
competition? In a contest between  
bank vaults and empty stomachs the  
human machine must succumb to the  
inevitable.

They do say that big corn is raised  
in Kansas. A few days ago a young  
man tendered his resignation because  
his employer wanted him to build the  
fines in the store every mornin', using  
Kansas corn cobs as fuel. He objected  
to the labor of sawing them in two.

An editor in a Washington town stated  
that he had been kissed by the most  
beautiful married woman in town and  
promised to tell her name in the first  
issue of his paper next month. In the  
two weeks following his circulation  
doubled, but when he named his wife he  
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And that this unexpected does frequently happen is proven to the world every day. The chapters which might be written of lucky strikes, of sudden transformations from poverty to affluence, the tales of men made rich in a night—these stories could not be incorporated in a Carnegie library. Like all other camps the Windermere has had its share of romance, and the chapters are evidently not all written yet. Under the hand of a talented writer the story of the Paradise or the Ptarmigan, for instance would make a tale so interesting as to cause contemporaneous novelists to glide to the rear and be seated. Yet this is a comparatively new camp and the sales of mining property has been limited to prospects with bonds ranging only from \$30,000 to \$50,000, and not one of these since development has been undertaken by capitalists have been offered for sale, so that the most interesting chapters are yet to be transacted.

However, here is a sketch of the best paying silver-lead mine in Kootenay—the Payne:

On the 10th of September, 1891, two grizzled old prospectors wandered aimlessly up the gulch from Slokan lake. These men were Eli Carpenter and Jack Seaton, the first white men to look on the treasure-lined hills of the Slokan. Their wanderings took them to the top of the then unnamed Payne hill, where Carpenter went to look beyond for a glimpse of the blue waters of Kootenay lake, and a short cut home to Ainsworth. In this respect their ascent to the summit was a failure, but it opened another volume in the history of B. C. He found the Payne.

Of the story of their return to Ainsworth, of the wild stampede to the new eldorado which followed the news of their discovery, and of the subsequent picturesque rush of 1892, much has been said and much been written. Hundreds and thousands of claims were staked. The Noble Five outfit alone located 21 claims in 30 days—every one now a mine. Wildcaters followed, capital was enticed by the immense surface showings, the camp took a boom, the railroads came and the success of the camp became a matter of record.

But old Eli and his partner, Seaton, lacked faith in the land of promise which they had given to the world. They sold the Payne for a trifling thousand dollars, went to Spokane to blow in the money, and confidently assured their friends that they had roped in the smartest mining man in the country—Steve Bailey, no less. Jack Seaton is dead now—shot in a dance hall in Idaho—and Eli Carpenter may be dead or wandering in the Klondike wilderness; but the Payne is still shipping ore.

Steve Bailey was not roped in, at least not that time. He gouged on the surface and took out thousands. Then he took in partners, McCune, Scott Macdonald, et al. They worked and took out other thousands. Then they quarreled and Steve Bailey, the wise mining man, put up a job by which he forced his partners to buy him out at \$100,000. Steve pocketed the price and chuckled; did what Carpenter and Seaton did—quietly told his friends that he had got more for the mine than it could ever be worth. But he was as far wrong as the first owners. The new owners mined. In three years of their proprietorship they took out as much ore as all the other Slokan mines combined. They paid themselves a million of profits. Then followed the instincts of the shrewd American operator; they did what their predecessors done—they unloaded. This time the price was \$2,500,000, and the purchasers were citizens of Montreal, who, perchance, had never seen a mine. Macdonald, McCune, Hoge and Sergeant shook hands with themselves and assured each other that they had got more for the mine than it could ever be worth.

Then followed the Montreal regime, the strike, the decline of silver and lead, stopes gutted, stocks slumping, mismanagement. Then a new management and systematic development. Next came the story of a new strike about a year ago; from 800 to 1,000 feet of virgin stoping ground unknown to the astute Americans who unloaded. The next chapter is now being enacted and the Payne mine is still a producer and the next may be the most interesting.

Don't forget that the Paradise mine here in the Windermere is in some respects like the Payne, but is only on its second chapter. And there is an element of romance and adventure in the mining camp.

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Some good sport iceboating on the Windermere has been enjoyed the few days.

Miss Matheson, who has been on a visit to Manitoba since last summer, returned to Windermere.

Rev. Mr. E. St. G. Smyth will conduct divine service in Wilmer in the evening of the first Sunday of each month.

Property worth owning is worth saving in the Canadian Fire Insurance Co. Apply to W. P. Evans, agent.

Jas. S. Johnson, who has been visiting his home at Courtwright, Ont., for a couple of months, returned to Astoria on Monday, accompanied by his wife. Mr. Johnson's many friends were surprised to learn of his marriage and join in wishing him a long and happy married life.

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